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## Steve Ladwig, Mayor Gabriel Adams, City Clerk



## **RESOLUTION 2019 - 07**

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SHORT-TERM RENTAL (STR) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS**, the City has an obligation to protect the village atmosphere for the citizens of Trinidad, to provide opportunity for STR residences, and enhance the positive experience of tourists; and

**WHEREAS**, STR owners and managers have an obligation to manage their property in a manner consistent with the residential neighborhood character, and therefore over the years the City developed a STR Ordinance to define the policies and procedures that regulate the STR residences in Trinidad; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council established the Short-Term Rental Advisory Committee in January 2019 to bring members with various viewpoints together to engage in dialog, facilitate public involvement in the STR process, and to make recommendations to the Council on various topics identified below; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Trinidad City Council hereby adopts a Short-Term Rental Advisory Committee to hold public meetings in accordance with the Brown Act, and to operate within the framework as follows:

- 1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Committee is 1) to evaluate the Ordinance for its effectiveness relating to permitting and implementation, 2) analyze benefits to visitors, 2) analyze impacts to residents such as parking, noise, over-occupancy, gatherings, etc. that have been identified in the Ordinance, and 3) assist the Council in resolving or making recommendations on such matters. Guidance and oversight will be provided by the City Manager.
- 2. OBJECTIVES: Committee objectives include; 1) provide a public forum at the end of the busy tourist season to solicit input from the community on issues or successes related to the implementation of the short-term rental regulations, 2) assist the City Manager in evaluating formal complaints received throughout the calendar year, 3) make balanced and informed recommendations to the City Council on ways to improve the Ordinance, or share ways in which the policies and procedures are being successfully implemented, and 4) report to the Council annually on the Committee meetings, activity, and recommendations.
- 3. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: The STR Committee will consist of two members of the Trinidad community who are not STR owners or STR business representatives, two members of the Trinidad community who are STR owners or business representatives. These 4 members will be appointed by the City Council in open session based on letters of interest and public interviews. Preference will be given to applicants that live inside the City limits, but when necessary the Council may choose to have up to 1 member that resides outside the City limits. One member of the Planning Commission will be recommended by the Commission and appointed by the City Council. The committee members shall vote and select one of their own to serve as the committee Chairperson.
- **4. TERMS OF OFFICE**: All members will hold two-year terms. Committee members serve at the pleasure of the City Council and may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Council.
- 5. **MEETING DATES**: The STR Committee will meet regularly on a quarterly basis, with one meeting being held in the fall in conjunction with the end of the busy tourist season. Additional special meetings may be added to the quarterly schedule, subject to the availability of all Committee members. Special meetings must be reviewed and approved by the City Manager or City Council.

- **6. STAFF ASSISTANCE**: City Staff will provide agenda preparation, notification, and outreach assistance to the Committee. The STR Committee may choose a member of the Committee to record the meeting minutes, or request to have a City Staff member to provide the service.
- **7. ETHICS CODE**: All members shall review, accept, and conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the values promoted in the City of Trinidad's Code of Ethics.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of April, 2019 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN:	West, Miller, Ladwig Davies None				
ABSENT:	None				
ATTEST:					
Gabriel Adams Trinidad City Clerk		Steve Ladwig Mayor			